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SPEED DEMON



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GOTHAM CITY

CRIME ALLEY.

WE FIND THE DRUNKEN, DISBARRED AND DISGRACED HAL JORDAN OF STARBRAND CORPS.

GET AWAY FROM ME!

YOU FRAMED ME! BETRAYED THE CORPS! KILLED SINESTRO!

BUT YOU AND THE GUARDIANS WON'T GET ME...

...UATU!

Oh, BUT I WILL, HAL.

YOU ARE THE LAST OF THE CORPS.

WITH YOUR PASSING, THE DREAM ENDS.

ALL THE UNIVERSE BELIEVED YOU TO BE THE TRAITOR.

AND WE HAD THE CORPS SCOUR THE UNIVERSE FOR THE "MADAM" JORDAN...

...ONE BY ONE, I SLIT THEIR THROATS.

NOW SIT STILL AND DIE LIKE A GOOD BOY...

...FOR A NEW UNIVERSE LOOMS ON THE HORIZON.

EVEN AS THE LAST WORDS FALL FROM JATU'S MOUTH...

A RED AND YELLOW BLUR CUTS THROUGH THE DARKNESS OF THE ALLEY...

...AND STANDING BETWEEN THE GUARDIAN AND HIS INTENDED VICTIM IS...

SPEED DEMON

DEMON'S NIGHT

HOWARD JAMES MACGEE FELDER STORY
SALVADOR LARROCA AL MINGROM BY
RICHARD STABBING INK
GUY LEE COLORED BY
TINSLEY HULES SEAN CHASE HARRIS LETTERING

...I SAU COOD NIGHT!

THANKS... WHOEVER YOU ARE.

BY THE SPIRITS OF GLO...

WHAT'S THIS?

...YOU ARE TAL JORDAN, I WAS TOLD?

YEAH... THAT'S RIGHT... WHO TOLD YOU?

...DANG GUARDERS HAVE YOU COOKERECED IT MUST BE ADDICCCO TO THE YOU COUSNICE SAU DE...

...WELL THEN... NOW YOU COUSNICE OHI!

PIE?

GOT NO TIME FOR BAD POETRY. I'VE GOT SOME BUSINESS TO BURY.

I OUSC RECDARK TO THE SIDE YOU HAVE WALKED...

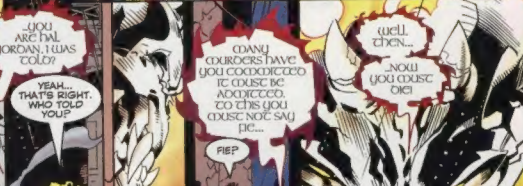
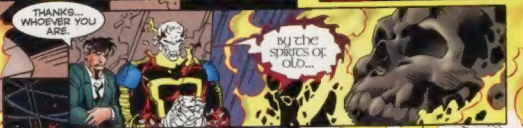
...THAT LIES IN THE DARK.

NO... COUSNICE FOR A POE...

MACMAN JORDAN HAS A DEFENDER?

IF IT IS A FIGHT YOU WANT, PLAINING HEADED FRIEND...

...IT IS A FIGHT YOU WILL GET.





I WANT YOU OUT OF HERE BY SUNUP, BOY!



PUCK'S RIGHT, WALLY. YOU'VE GOT TO LEAVE THIS CIRCUS AND GET ON WITH YOUR LIFE.

AN, MISS MIRACLE, I KNOW YOU ALL MEAN WELL, AND YOU'RE ALL LIKE FAMILY TO ME, WHICH IS WHY I CAN'T LEAVE YOU AND UNCLE BLAZE --



I CAN'T LEAVE UNCLE BLAZE.



IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MEANING, WELL, YOUR UNCLE IS OFF HIS BEAN.

AND ALL OF US THINK OF YOU LIKE A KID BROTHER, WHICH IS WHY WE WANT YOU AWAY FROM BLAZE AND ALL THE SUPERNATURAL GARBAGE HE'S BEEN PLAYING WITH SINCE IRIS DIED.



WE'RE NOT GIVING YOU A CHOICE.

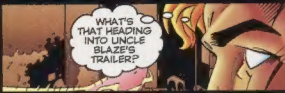
WALLY WEST IS NO LONGER WELCOME HERE.



I'M SORRY YOU FEEL THAT WAY, BLOB, BUT...



...I'M STILL NOT LEAVING.



WHAT'S THAT HEADING INTO UNCLE BLAZE'S TRAILER?

THE TRAILER OF BLAZE ALLEN HAS TURNED INTO SOMETHING MUCH MORE THAN A MOBILE HOME.

LITTLE ROOM IS LEFT FOR LIVING AMONGST THE MYSTICAL ARTIFACTS WHICH HE COLLECTED THROUGH THE YEARS.

AND HERE WE FIND SPEED DEMON CROUCHED IN THE CENTER OF THE MYSTERIOUS CIRCLE OF POWER -- CHANTING AN ANCIENT DREAD RHYME...

COE
COE
C'CRIGAN

...COE
AGAIN THE
FORD OF
CDANI

AND AS THE FINAL WORD FALLS FROM THE DEMON'S MOUTH...

...THE LIVING HELLFIRE WHICH IS THE SPEED DEMON VANISHES FROM SIGHT.

AND IN HIS PLACE STANDS... BLAZE ALLEN.

OMIGOD!

WALLY!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?
YOU WERE NEVER SUPPOSED TO SEE --

YOU... YOU'RE THE SPEED DEMON!
WHY...?

WHY, WALLY?

BECAUSE OF IRIS.

IT SEEMS LIKE SO LONG AGO...

"IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE HAPPIEST DAY OF OUR LIVES.

"FROM THE MOMENT I LAID EYES ON HER, I KNEW IRIS WAS MY SOULMATE.

"HEARING FATHER HELLSTROM PRONOUNCE US HUSBAND AND WIFE WAS THE MOMENT BOTH OF US HAD LIVED FOR.

"BUT WE WERE ONLY GIVEN A MOMENT.

"OUR KISS WAS STILL LINGERING WHEN IRIS WAS TORN FROM MY ARMS.

"THE THING WHICH HELD MY BELOVED WHISPERED TO ME FROM BENEATH ITS ROBES.

SHE IS MINE FOR ALL ETERNITY NOW. MORTAL...

...SOON I WILL HAVE YOU.

"AND THEN I WATCHED, AS THE LIFEFORCE WAS DRAINED FROM MY IRIS AND...

"I PRAYED AND CURSED FOR ANY CHANCE TO HAVE HER BACK.

"AND IT WAS GIVEN TO ME BY ONE WHO IS EVIL INCARNATE.

"...I WAS LEFT WITH ONLY A WITHERED HUSK OF HER BODY... AND MY PAIN.

"ON THAT DAY I ALLOWED PART OF MY SOUL TO BE BONDED TO A DEMON NAMED ETRIGAN..."

"...AND BECAME
THE SPEED DEMON.

"AT ONCE I LEARNED OF
THINGS WHICH EXIST
BEYOND THE KEN OF
MORTAL MAN ---

"-- OF NIGHT SPECTRE,
WHO HOLDS COURT IN
HIS SANCTUM OF LOST
SOULS LIKE SOME
DARK AND MALEVOLENT
GOD...

"...WALKING THE EARTH BY
POSSESSING THE SOULS
OF THE WEAK-WILLED, AND
USING THEM AS HIS
MINDLESS SERVANTS TO
DO HIS UNHOLY WORK.

"HIS GOAL IS
TO COLLECT
THE SOULS
OF POWER.

"ONLY THE MOST PURE
OR MOST CORRUPT
INDIVIDUALS POSSESS
SUCH SOULS.

"IRIS IS ONE OF THEM.
SHE IS IMPRISONED
IN THE SANCTUM.

TO COLLECT THEM ALL
INTO ONE PLACE IS TO
LITERALLY HOLD THE
KEYS TO HEAVEN, HELL
AND EARTH.

"I LEARNED OF THOSE
WHO SOUGHT TO USE
ETRIGAN'S POWER TO
THWART THE NIGHT
SPECTRE.

"I LEARNED TO CHANNEL
MY PAIN AND TO BATTLE
NIGHT SPECTRE AND
HIS FORCES.

"NOW THERE IS
ONE SOUL OF
POWER LEFT."

AND I CAN'T
STOP UNTIL
IT IS
MINE.

WHAT
DO YOU GET
OUT OF ALL
THIS, UNCLE
BLAZE?

I GET ONE LAST CHANCE TO PUT IRIS'S SOUL TO REST.

SHE IS ALL I CARE ABOUT...

...BESIDES YOU.

SO PLEASE JUST STAY OUT OF THIS, KID.

I CAN FEEL ETRIGAN CALLING TO BE RELEASED. HE HAS LOCATED THE LAST SOUL OF POWER.

GONE, GONE THE FORM OF MAN...



...RISE
THE DEMON
ETRIGAN!

BOO!



OKAY, UNCLE BLAZE GETS IRIS... I CAN UNDERSTAND THAT, BUT WHAT ABOUT YOU? WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS? YOU'RE A DEMON!



why,
you cry?

BEFORE YOU CAST UPON ME INCRIMINATION/THINK TWICE IF YOU BELIEVE I WAS ALWAYS THIS ABOMINATION.

SOMETIMES IT IS ENOUGH TO GRANT THEE PEACE TO KNOW THAT HISTORY WILL NOT TWICE REPEAT.



NIGHT SPECTRE LIVES FOR OTHERS SUFFERING TO SEE - I KNOW THAT WHICH YOUR UNCLE...



...will,
someday
BE.

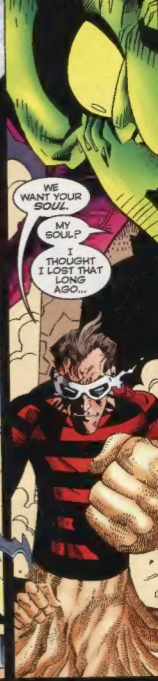
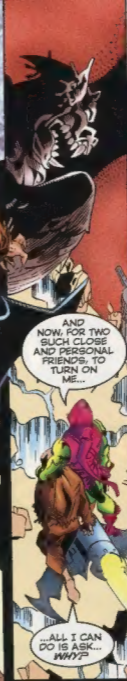
ACROSS TOWN.

ONCE HARVEY OSBORNE WAS A RESPECTED MEMBER OF GOTHAM CITY SOCIETY.

NOW HE'S JUST ANOTHER FREAK.

AND NOW HE'S...

...THE GREEN GOBLIN.



WE WANT YOUR SOUL.

MY SOUL?

I THOUGHT I LOST THAT LONG AGO...

AND NOW, FOR TWO SUCH CLOSE AND PERSONAL FRIENDS, TO TURN ON ME...

DON'T KNOW WHY YOU, OR THE SCARE-CROW, CHOSE TO TRY AND KILL ME, SILICONMAN.

ONCE WE WERE ALL SUCH GOOD PARTNERS AS MEMBERS OF THE TERRIBLE THREE.

...ALL I CAN DO IS ASK... WHY?



HEY, SCARE-CROW, HANG AROUND...

...I'LL GET TO YOU IN A MINUTE.



AND HERE'S A TREAT FOR YOU, SILI!



FWOOSH!

SCIENCE QUIZ -- SILICON AND PUMPKIN PLASMA MAKE ---P

-- A GLASS MAN! NO REALLY, SCARECROW, TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!



DOESN'T THAT JUST CRACK YOU UP?

KTASH!



LOOKS LIKE THAT OL' GANG O' MINE IS ALL BROKEN UP.

OH, WELL.

YOUR SOUL IS TOO IMPORTANT TO ME.

IT IS THE LAST SOUL OF POWER.

AND IT WILL DECIDE ALL.



AS MUCH AS IT DISGUSTS ME TO TAKE HUMAN FORM...

...IT SEEMS MY NIGHT MINIONS HAVE FAILED ME AND...

...I MUST DEAL WITH YOU PERSONALLY.

NOW FEEL THE PAIN OF YOUR SOUL BEING RIPPED FROM THE VERY FABRIC OF YOUR BEING.

THIS RACE HAS ENDED, AND I AM THE...



VICTOR?

GONE?

HOW?
WHERE?

ONE BLOCK
AWAY... AND
UP

HEY, HOW
DID YOU GET ME
AWAY FROM THERE SO
FAST? WHAT'S THE
TRICK?

THERE
IS NO TRICK,
FOR I ACT QUICK

NOW
STOP YOUR
CHURNING,
FOR SOON YOU
WILL BE
BURNING.

WARGH!
ACID
PELLETS!

YOU
LOOK LIKE
YOU CAN
AFFORD THE
CALORIES!

NOW HOW ABOUT
YOU TELL ME
WHAT ALL THIS
TALK OF WANTING
MY SOUL IS
ABOUT?

TALK
AND I'LL
KILL YOU
FAST!

YOU
CANNOT KILL
ONE ALREADY
DIED


BURNING?

Ooh,
I DON'T
THINK
SO.

HOW
ABOUT WE
SHARE SOME OF
MY HALLOWEEN
CANDY CORN
INSTEAD?


ESPECIALLY
NOT WHEN YOU
LOSE YOUR
HEAD

WHOA!



WHAT UNDER THAT MASK I MUST ASK TWICE ONLY THAT PACE IS HARD TO MISS WHO WOULD HAVE THE CRUELTY TO NOXON THIS?

L-LOGAN!




STORY TIME IS OVER. SPEED DEMON THE MORTAL'S SOUL IS MINE STEP AWAY.

HEAVEN OR HELL YOU SHALL NOT REIGN...



FOR I WILL DEFEAT YOU WITH PERY PAIN



STRANGE... IN ALL THE YEARS WE HAVE BEEN COMPETING. WE HAVE NEVER BATTLED FACE-TO-FACE

IT'S WORTH A TRY



LET'S SEE WHAT BECOMES OF YOU WHEN I DEVOUR THE SOUL OF THAT HUMAN TO WHOM YOU ARE BONDED.

NO... CRIPAN SHALL NOT SUCCEED TO YOUR SLAUGHTER



YOU WILL FALL IN CONS OF



...WATER!



IT WILL TAKE MORE THAN THIS



DO YOU REALLY THINK I CAN BE DEFEATED SO EASILY BY... BY... BY...



BARK
BARK



THE
WATER SERVED
NICELY AS
DISTRACTION.



OH,
HELL, ARC NOW
REDUCES YOU TO
A FRACTION.



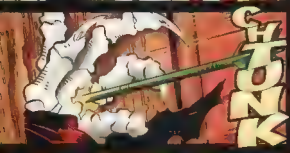
FOR NOW
IT'S TIME
FOR YOU
TO --

CHUNK

PREPARE
YOURSELF
WHERE YOU
ARE.



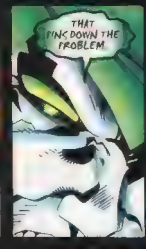
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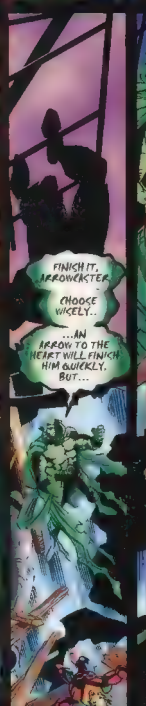
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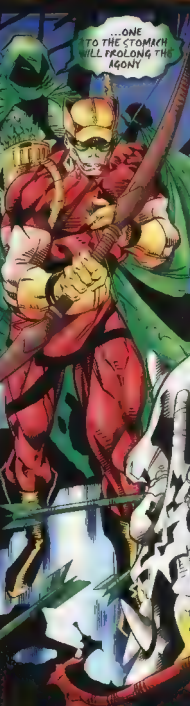
THAT
PINK DOWN THE
PROBLEM.



FINISH IT,
ARROWMASTER.

CHOOSE
WIKELY...

...AN
ARROW TO THE
HEART WILL FINISH
HIM QUICKLY.
BUT...



...ONE
TO THE STOMACH
WILL PROLONG THE
AGONY.

AAAARRGH

YOUR
ARROWED LACKEY
TO ASH HAS BEEN
FINISHED

AND
NOW THIS RACE
CAN FINALLY BE
FINISHED

DO NOT
UNDERESTIMATE
ME, DEMON

I'VE ALREADY
CALCULATED YOUR
DEMISE

NO... YOU WILL
ALL UPON THIS
SCENE...

AND I WILL COLLECT
THE SOUL OF
COMIN...

GREEN!

HE'S
GOTTEN
AWAY!

FOLLOW
ME... IF YOU
DARE!

GET TO GET AWAY!

GOT TO THINK

THIS IS ALL TOO MUCH!

DEMONS, SOULS OF POWER

AND THE DOCTORS SAY I'M CRAZY!

FWLOMP

OH, BUT YOU ARE CRAZY, NORMAN... I ACCUSE YOU OF THAT!

AND I'M THE DARK SPECTRE YOU SEE IN YOUR NIGHTMARES

I'VE COME FOR YOUR SOUL...

TO TORTURE IT FOR ALL AGES IN THE NEXUS OF FEAR - MY SANCTUM!

AS, SPEED DEMON, YOU HOUND MY VERY STEPS,

COME FOLLOW ME

...TO THE HEART OF DARKNESS!

FOR TONIGHT IS A TURNING POINT IN THE LIVES OF ALL THE BLAZE MALES

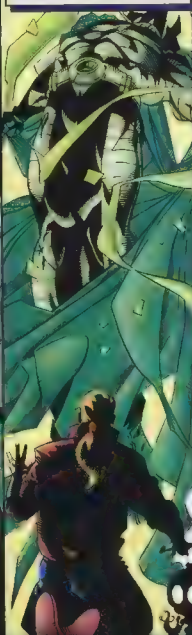
JUST AS THAT NIGHT, LONG AGO, WHEN YOUR UNCLE, AN AMATEUR MYSTIC AT BEST

SPURNED THE NIGHT SPECTRE'S DESIRE FOR A HUMAN BRAIN.

NIGHT SPECTRE WAS ATTRACTED TO YOUR UNCLE'S POWERFUL, YET INNATE, ARCANIC ABILITIES.

THE DEMON LORD ASKED FOR HIS SERVICES IN THE SOUL RACE

"YOUR UNCLE REFUSED... CAST NIGHT SPECTRE OUT... AND THAT NIGHT SEALED THE FATE OF BOTH HIS BELOVED IRIS AND OF HIMSELF"



HE DIDN'T TELL YOU THAT... DID HE, BOY? THAT IT WAS HIS OWN RECKLESSNESS WHICH COST HIM HIS BRIDE?

I'M SURE HE ALSO DIDN'T TELL YOU THAT ON HIS WEDDING NIGHT, MOURNING HIS STILL WARM BRIDE, HE ONCE AGAIN TURNED TO THE ARCANIC.

THIS TIME I ANSWERED HIS CALL FOR VENGEANCE



"I GAVE HIM THE MEANS TO ENSURE THAT THE NIGHT SPECTRE NOT WIN THE RACE... AND A WAY FOR BLAZE TO SEE THAT IRIS'S SOUL REST IN PEACE"

THEN IT WAS YOU WHO TURNED MY UNCLE INTO THE SPEED DEMON

BUT I FEAR HE IS NOW DOOMED!

WE HAVE TO HELP UNCLE BLAZE!

I HAVE A PROPOSITION FOR YOU, THEN...



THE NIGHT SPECTRE'S
SANCTUM OF LOST
SOULS

WHERE
ARE YOU ALLEN
KNOWN AS
BLAZE...

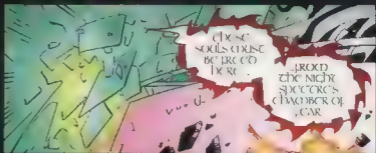
...I
SENSE OUR
SOULS ARE OUT
OF PHASE

THE
GREEN GOBLIN
LIES HERE AT
OUR FEET



WE HAVE BEEN
PARCELED IN THIS
PLACE OF LOST
SOULS...

AND NOW
I'VE TORN
THROUGH OUR
GAMES

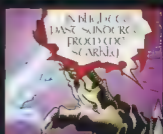


THESE
SOULS MUST
BE RECALLED
HERE...

FROM
THE NIGHT
SPECTRE'S
CHAMBER OF
WAR



AS SOUL CASES
CORRECTLY
(GARBLE)



IN THE
PAST SECONDS
FROM THE
SCARBLE



BUT
MY HUMAN
COUNTER I
CANNOT
FEEL



NO

IT
WON'T BE
SO EASY, I'M
AFRAID

YOU WILL
NOT REGAIN
YOUR SOUL,
DEMON



YOUR
DAYS AS JAY
GARRICK ARE LONG
OVER, AND SOON
IT WILL ALL
BE OVER.

I'VE WON

I HAVE BLAZE!

MERLIN'S SOUL-BINDING SPELL HAS ABSOLUTELY NO EFFECT IN MY REALM.

NOW YOU ARE ON YOUR OWN, DEMON. NO LONGER WILL YOU HAVE YOUR PET HUMAN'S CALMER HEAD TO GUIDE YOU IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE.

I SENSE YOU ARE PREPARING TO REDUCE TO ASH THIS THRALL BODY WHICH I AM INHABITING.

DON'T DO IT!

NO, NO, MR. ALLEN. YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND YOUR FORMER PARTNER. HE WON'T KILL ME NOW THAT HE KNOWS WHAT THE TRUE STAKES ARE.

HE COULDN'T STAND TO SEE YOU LOSE YOUR IRIS. NOT AFTER WHAT HE HAS LOST.

YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE THE JOKE MERL N PLAYED IN WEDDING YOUR TWO SOULS TOGETHER. YOU SEE ETRIGAN WAS ONCE —

STOP QUIET YOU HAVE US JUST DO IT QUIETLY

WHAT, NO JOLLY RHYMES?

MORE'S THE SHAME.

AND SO IT ENDS NOT WITH A BANG, BUT WITH A

THINK QUICK, DEMON! WHAT BECOMES OF BLAZE ALLEN? OF HIS PRECIOUS IRIS? OF ALL THE SOULS TRAPPED WITHIN THIS PLACE IF I DIE?

IN YOUR CURRENT STATE ARE YOU YET CAPABLE OF SUCH THOUGHT, ETRIGAN?

LET ME GIVE YOU A HINT... THEY WILL ALL PERISH WITH ME

KKRRR



THROUGH THE SANCTUM WINDOW -- ANOTHER SPEED DEMON! IMPOSSIBLE!



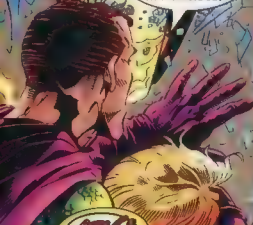
THE GOBLIN HAS BEEN SUBDUED, TAKE HIM AND CLAIM HELL!

MY LOST SOUL FOUND AND NICHTE SPECTRE DEFEATED I WISH NO HELL... MY MISSION IS COMPLETED

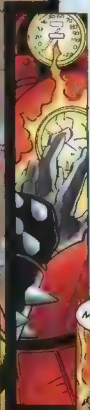
BUT THINGS HAVE OBVIOUSLY TAKEN A STRANGE TURN... WHO ARE YOU, ST. RAN...OR?

THERE IS A BRIGHT FLASH FROM THE BIKE'S STRANGELY CARVED GAS-CAP

-- AND THE HISS OF SIZZLING FLESH.



ARK!



IT'S ME, UNCLE BLAZE!

WALLY? WHAT MESS HAVE YOU GOTTEN YOURSELF INTO? I TOLD YOU --

TALK ABOUT UNGRATEFUL! YOU WERE GETTING YOUR BUTT KICKED. MERLIN SAID --



MERLIN!
WE'RE ALL IN A
HEAP OF TROUBLE
IF THAT'S WHO'S
RESPONSIBLE FOR
THIS, BOY.

FILL
ME IN AND
MAKE IT
QUICK.

MERLIN
SAID WE'RE ALL
IN DEEP TROUBLE
NIGHT SPECTRE HAS
TRANSFERRED HIS SPIRIT
INTO A HUMAN HOST --
LIKE MERLIN SET YOU
UP WITH SPEED
DEMON.

NIGHT
SPECTRE HOPES TO
SUCCEED IN HIS PLANS
WITH THE ADVANTAGE
OF A HUMAN HOST --
LIKE SPEED DEMON
DID WITH
YOU.

CUTE.
TOO CUTE. I DON'T
BUY IT. SPEEDY HAS
WON THE RACE FOR HELL.
IT'S OURS. WHAT COULD
NIGHT SPECTRE BE
AFTER?

EARTH

GREAT. PERFECT. HE'S GOING
TO MAKE HIS OWN NIGHTMARISH
VISION OF HELL. I'M NOT GOING
TO LET THAT HAPPEN -- NOT
WHILE I GOT BREATH IN ME. YOU
GOING OFF TO REDECORATE
HELL, SPEEDY?

YOUR
MISCONCEPTIONS ARE A
PITEOUS, I THOUGHT BY NOW
YOU'D KNOW THE DECKER

WALLY.
GET ON THE
BIKE. GET THE
ENGINE RUNNING.
SPEEDY AND I HAVE
SOME WATCHETS TO
BURY WE WON'T
BE LONG -- I
HOPE

THE
TORTURED
SOUL OF THE COAN
I ONCE WAS -- JAY
CARRICK ONCE LIFE
WAS FREE AND
RUNNING...

THE
TORN SOUL OF
MY BELOVED IRIS.
ONCE LIFE WAS A DREAM AND
ENDLESS

EVERYTHING'S A
NIGHTMARE NOW --
LIKE IT SHOULDN'T BE
THAT WAY AND WE'RE
GOING TO WAKE UP
NEXT MONTH

BUT
I KNOW WE
WON'T. I'M EITHER
GOING TO SPEND MY
EXISTENCE CHASING
DEMONS OR RUNNING
AWAY FROM
THEM.

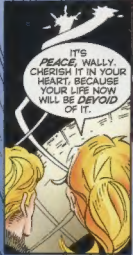
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QUICK.

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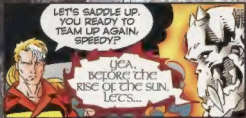
FWOOOOSH



IS THAT...?



IT'S
PEACE, WALLY.
CHERISH IT IN YOUR
HEART, BECAUSE
YOUR LIFE NOW
WILL BE DEVOID
OF IT.



LET'S SADDLE UP.
YOU READY TO
TEAM UP AGAIN,
SPEEDY?

YEA,
BEFORE THE
RISE OF THE SUN.
LET'S...

BOBO

"...RUN!"

WELCOME
TO
GOTHAM



AND THROUGH THE DARK WOODS
OUTSIDE OF GOTHAM, TWO STREAKS
OF FIRE GO RACING FASTER THAN THE
ROSY FINGERS OF DAWN'S FIRST LIGHT.

IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, WHERE TWO DEMONS STOOD, NOW STAND THE FORM OF MEN...

I'VE MADE SOME BAD MISTAKES, KID. BUT THE WORST WAS GETTING YOU MIXED UP IN THIS MESS.

AW, UNCLE BLAZE, ALL I EVER WANTED WAS TO DO SOMETHING IMPORTANT... TO BE SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO YOU.

NOW I AM. MERLIN SAID FACING NIGHT SPECTRE'S HUMAN HOST WOULD BE THE HARDEST CHALLENGE YOU'D HAVE TO FACE. BUT, NOW I'M HERE.

I CAN BE YOUR SIDEKICK -- LIKE SPARROW AND THE DARK CLAW!



HAHA!
OKAY, KID.



HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA
HA



GET SOME SLEEP. WE GOT A WORLD TO SAVE!



WALLY'S A GOOD KID. KIND OF LIKE THE SON IRIS AND I MIGHT HAVE HAD.



AND NOW I'VE RUINED HIS LIFE LIKE I DID MY OWN.

WAIT...

...ETRIGAN'S THE DEMON I'M BONDED WITH -- SO...

"...WHO'S THE DEMON WALLY'S BONDED WITH?"



BE HERE IN THIRTY DAYS FOR...
"BATTLE LINES DRAWN IN BLOOD!"

AMALGAM NATION

CARWALD'S CORNERBOX

Greetings, Amalgamianiacs! This is the month it happens—where the Amalgam Universe built wide open and we launch twelve (count 'em—twelve) new titles featuring some of your favorite Amalgamated superstars in their own titles at last! This is a comic book counterrevolution and you, sensation-seekers, are getting in on ground zero!

We could heap on more hype, but instead we'd like to shift gears a moment and talk about something truly important in the cosmic scheme—namely, brotherhood. Friends, go out and make an effort to get along with someone whose ethnicity, religion, political affiliation, or comic book preference is unlike your own. After all, we're all passengers on the same planet going 'round, and when it gets down to it, everybody wants the same basic things out of life. So let's each do our part to make the ride go a bit smoother. Says I!

Now, with that off our chest, we want to remind you, the second wave of the Amalgam Era of Comics is now upon us! And it wouldn't be happening if you mighty Amalgamites didn't demand it. Accelerate!

—M.M. CARWALD



SPEED DEMON #1: Blaze Allen tears up with his nephew Wally in a race against time and Hell itself to snatch the soul of the Green Goblin. If they fail, the Night Spectre wins the keys to the nether-realm! By Howard Mackie, James Felder, Salvador Larrocca, and Al Milgrom!

LEGEND OF THE DARKCLAW #1: The adamantium-clawed nocturnal protector of New Gotham is joined by Sparrow, his spunky protégé, in his war against the feral and psychotic Hyena! By Larry Hama, Jim Balent, and Ray McCarthy.



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